

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD  
DARIEN, CONNECTICUT  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 21, 2015

Members: Brown, Castell, Gadsen, Geiger, Hughes, Greene, Lawrence, Macdonald  
Staff: Keating  
Guest: Reilly

The meeting was called to order at 7pm.

**ARB #19-2015**

Driftwood Diner, 171 Boston Post Road, SB-E Zone  
Proposed wall sign and pole sign.

Ray McClelland, of A to Z Signs, proposed replacing the existing signage with pin mounted acrylic matte black dimensional letters centered on the existing lexan face of the restaurant. They will replace the graphics on the existing, internally lit ground sign. The background color will change to black with white lettering.

If / When the exterior is repainted, Darien Diner representatives will return to ARB for approval.

ARB approved the signage change.

**ARB #20-2015**

The Shack, 284 Tokeneke Road (previously Lobster Craft), NB Zone  
Proposed wall sign

Courtney Dumais, owner of the new establishment, proposed the new sign for the business at 284 Tokeneke Road. The shape of the new sign is identical to the sign of the business on the other half of the building. The goal is to maintain and preserve the appearance of the building and the community.

The sign is made of wood and will be painted white. The 10" high letters will be painted nautical blue and will spell out 'The Shack'.

ARB approved the signage.

**ARB #21-2015**

The Hairy Barker Inn and Spa, 21 Tokeneke Road, CBD Zone  
Proposed wall sign.

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Sandy Bonom, owner, along with Chris Nix and John Lundeen of Classic Graphics, proposed a new sign for the Hairy Barker on the front of the building at 21 Tokeneke Road. The proposed sign is 6' wide and 18" high. The sign will hang off the fascia of the front porch, where the previous sign was located.

The background will be dark red with cream lettering to match the trim on the building. The top line will have 8" letters spelling out THE HAIRY BARKER in all caps and the second line will say Inn and Spa in lowercase letters sat 4" in height.

ARB approved the request.

**ARB #22-2015**

Papa Joe's Ristorante Italiano, 1973 Boston Post Road, CBD Zone  
Proposed wall sign

Kevin Kane of Hung Well Signs proposed a new wall sign for Papa Joe's Restaurant. The sign is 6' wide and 18" high. The letters will be black gloss, pin mounted, 1/2" thick acrylic letters, spelling out on 2 lines, Papa Joe's, Ristorante Italiano. The first line letters will be 10" high, the second line letters will be 4" high.

ARB approved the sign.

**ARB #23-2015**

Fjord Fish Market, 1015 Boston Post Road, CBD Zone  
Proposed two wall signs and one blade sign.

Kevin Kane of Hung Well Signs proposed two signs for the business, one wall sign on the Day Street side of the building and one blade sign to be hung from the Day Street wall of the building, but nearer the front door, which faces the interior parking lot on the site. The background of the signs will be navy blue with white lettering on aluminum. The wall sign will be illuminated, back lit, LED letters. The wall sign is proposed 9' wide by 1' high, the largest letters 10" high.

The blade sign is 24" wide by 8" high. It will be mounted on a 24" black square bar welded to a back plate on the Day Street side of the building. The sign will spell out Fjord on the top line with Fish Market centered below.

ARB approved the request.

All members approved the minutes from June 16, 2015.

This portion of the Meeting was adjourned at 7:30.

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***The Meeting was moved to Room 119 of Town Hall to join the Planning & Zoning Commission for:***

Informal discussion regarding Palmer properties/Noroton Heights.

Informal discussion regarding Baywater Properties, Corbin Drive/Boston Post Road re-development.

No actions were taken regarding the two informal presentations.

The meeting was adjourned at 10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cherie Greene*